

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Plaintiff,*

v.

GREG ABBOTT, in his capacity as Governor  
of the State of Texas, and THE STATE OF  
TEXAS,

*Defendants.*

No. 1:23-cv-00853-DAE

**STATE DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

Defendants Greg Abbott, in his capacity as Governor of the State of Texas, and the State of Texas (collectively, "State Defendants") file this Notice of Appearance to alert the Court that Patrick Sweeten will appear as counsel in the above-captioned case along with counsel listed below. Mr. Sweeten is a member in good standing with the State Bar of Texas and is authorized to practice in the Western District of Texas. His contact information is in the signature block below.

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